

## CHAPTER

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## SECTION 2

## BELLRINGER WORKSHEET

## The National Government and the 50 States 3

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) helps State and local governments cope with natural disasters. Study the table below about the process of disaster relief. Then answer the questions that follow.

The Major Disaster Process	
<b>STEP 1</b>	<b>Local government responds.</b> If overwhelmed, it turns to the State for assistance.
<b>STEP 2</b>	<b>The State responds</b> with State resources, such as the National Guard and State agencies.
<b>STEP 3</b>	<b>Damage assessment is made</b> by local, State, federal, and volunteer organizations.
<b>STEP 4</b>	<b>A major disaster declaration is requested</b> by the governor, based on the damage assessment.
<b>STEP 5</b>	<b>FEMA evaluates the request</b> and recommends action to the White House.
<b>STEP 6</b>	<b>The President approves the request</b> , or FEMA informs the governor it has been denied.

- Which steps in the disaster-relief process involve only State or local governments?  
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- Which steps in the disaster-relief process involve only the Federal Government?  
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- Which step in the disaster-relief process involves both the State and the Federal governments?  
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- How does FEMA's major disaster process illustrate federalism?  
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- Which constitutional provision calls for the kind of federal aid provided by FEMA?  
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